

## LABOR TEMPLE DIRECTORS LIQUIDATE ALL MORTGAGES AND UNIONS ARE FULL OWNERS

Remarkable Progress in Investment of Labor Organizations Made Ten Years Ago—Paid Seventeen Thousand Dollars and Roll Up Good Surplus

The annual meeting of the Labor Temple Company, Limited, was held in the assembly room of the Labor Temple on Church street on Saturday night. Many shareholders were present. The officers announced the winding up of the entire debt, incurred by the purchase of the building on March 17, 1904. Of the provisional board of directors appointed by the Trades and Labor Council at the time of the inauguration of the company, James Simpson alone remains connected with the labor movement. The first board of directors elected by the shareholders of the company have all passed out of the Toronto labor world except the three men who formed the executive last year, namely, President D. A. Carey, Vice-President Thomas Walsh and Secretary-Treasurer James Simpson.

**Temple Free of Encumbrances.** The outstanding feature of the directors' report was the fact that the Labor Temple is now owned free of encumbrances by the company. This is a new property valued at \$80,000 to \$100,000, and it was derived from the sale of the old property for a sum of \$16,991. At the beginning of the period the directors despaired of succeeding with the task of paying for the structure, but not only were they able to accomplish what had seemed unattainable, but they were also enabled to show a balance of \$1885, with a sum of \$1699 representing outstanding rents, which raised the available surplus of \$3588 for the past year. The board gave credit to the union labor forces of Toronto for this success.

**Big Revenue Last Year.** The revenue obtained from the renting of the temple last year amounted to \$7326, which was in excess of that of any previous year. The history of the company. The nearest approach to that amount was in 1906-7, when the total reached was \$7256. From the sale of tobacco and cigars a proportionate increase was noted, and a like increase was found in the revenue collected from the billiard and pool rooms. A slight falling off was experienced in the advertising returns of The Industrial Banner, but the directors say that when it is considered that exceptional circumstances had to be encountered and that the decrease was so slight, they feel they have no reason to feel disappointed at the showing last year in this department.

**Large Year's Expenditures.** The expenditures for the year amounted to the large total of \$10,953, showing a great increase over the \$5635 which was the sum expended during the previous year. The heavy increase is accounted for in the liquidation of the balance of the mortgage on the Labor Temple, which necessitated an expenditure of \$8500. On deducting that amount and allowing for the payment of \$1000 of the mortgage principal of last year, the expenditures were found to be reduced by \$82, another gratifying feature of the report was that independent of the wage accounts, the current expenses of the company were being reduced.

**Fifteen Hundred Shareholders.** There are now 1500 shareholders in the stock company, this being a decrease of 300 on the original 1800 who subscribed for shares. Of the number who fell out the greater part were men who had left the city before paying for their stock. A shrinkage of 20 per cent, said the directors, should be allowed in the subscriptions for the building of a Labor Temple. After the new board of directors were elected for the coming year and other business was transacted, the social part of the evening was ushered in, when the shareholders and their wives were entertained by musical and other features.

**WANT COAL WEIGHED BEFORE SCREENING**  
Conference Trying to Arrange New Wage Scale Still Considering Men's Demand

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 14.—The first demand of the miners that all coal be weighed before it is screened and must be paid for on the mine runs basis was still under debate by the miners and operators of the central competitive bituminous field in joint conference here trying to arrange a new wage scale, when recess was made for luncheon today.

C. E. Maurer of Cleveland, one of the spokesmen for the operators, opposed the demand. He intimated during the debate that if the anti-screen bill passed by the Ohio Legislature is signed by the governor its constitutionality may be tested.

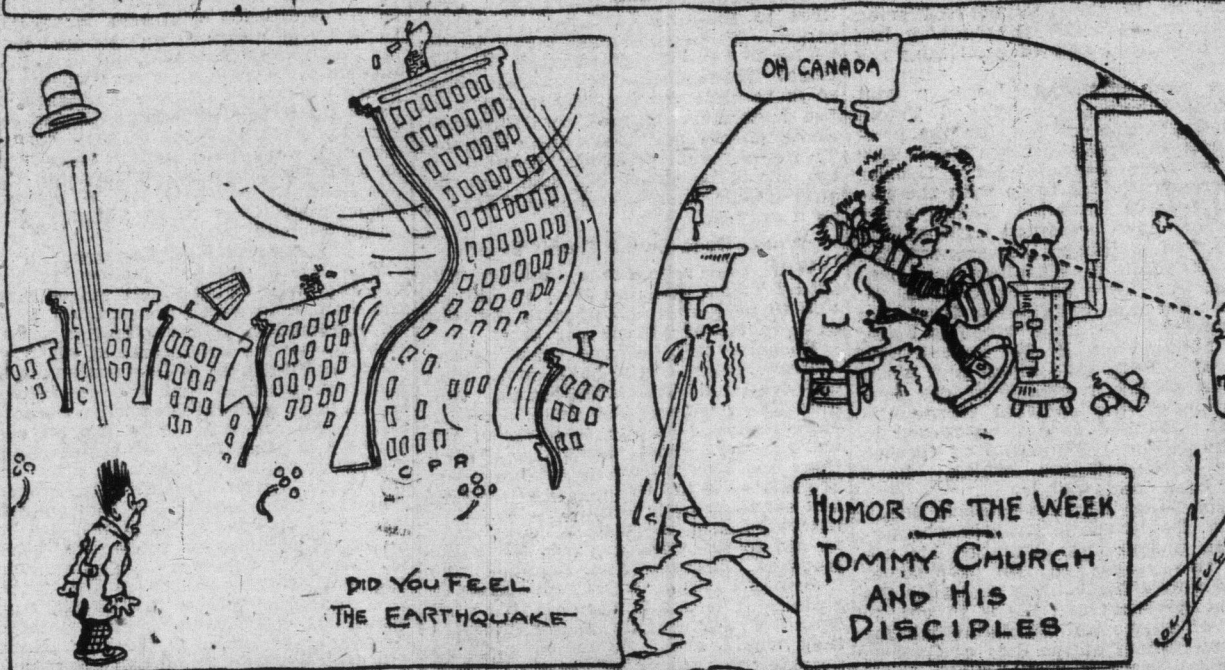
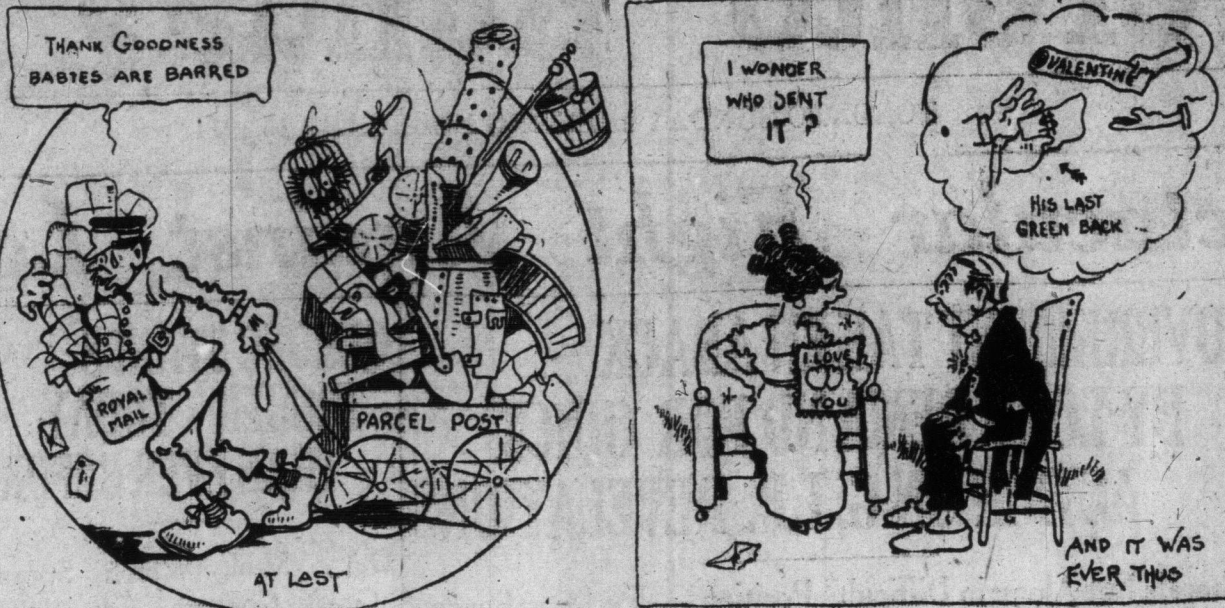
William Green of Ohio, secretary of the Miners' Union, and author of the anti-screen bill, defended the measure. He said the mine runs basis was the only equitable way to pay miners. The bill now in the hands of the Ohio governor, he said, provides penalties for miners placing waste in mine cars.

**SCULLY CASE WAS FINALLY DISMISSED**  
Justice Latchford Holds Plaintiff Must Abide by Decision in Former Trial

Dismissed with costs, with the option of a ten days' stay for an appeal, was the verdict delivered by Mr. Justice Latchford in the Scully v. Ontario Jockey Club case, which was heard in the judge's private chambers at Osgoode Hall on Saturday morning. This case, which has been hanging fire for months, came before the justices at the city hall on Friday, and as the plaintiff was not present to push the case, the dismissal was made, but a personal appeal to Justice Latchford resulted in his consent to a private hearing in his chambers for Saturday morning.

Scully is suing the Ontario Jockey Club for \$25,000 for certain disfigurements he alleges to have undergone at their hands when endeavoring to ply his "profession of actuary and underwriter in race racing" or in other words, the business of a "bookie," at the Woodbine and other tracks. He also alleges that the plaintiff is a gambler, and that the club is guilty of conducting a lottery.

Justice Latchford held that the case depends on the Scully v. Madigan case, decided against the plaintiff last year, and that the decision in that case should decide the present one. Alex. McGregor, lawyer for the plaintiff, said he would appeal to the Ontario Court of Appeal, but he is absent in New York, and will ask for another hearing at the next sessions.



**CONTROLLERS TO STOP THE QUIBBLING**  
Are Determined That Bill of Sale Shall Be Drawn Up Without More Fuss

It may be three weeks before the amended agreement of purchase for the clean up of the franchises will be submitted to the city council. A clear understanding between the board of control and the corporation council as to the amended instructions of the city council has to be arrived at. The board of control interprets the instructions to clearly mean that the radicals are to be granted no running rights over the tracks of the city, so that there will not be left the slightest doubt as to the franchises being cleaned up. Public sentiment is with the board of control in that policy, and that policy is bound to eventually prevail over the amended instructions.

**GOOD MOVEMENT IN VACANT LAND**  
Cold Weather Kept Away Many Would-Be Purchasers

"If the cold weather had not struck us we would have had a much better week in vacant land," said C. S. Fots of the Davenport Land, Building & Savings Company. "You could hardly expect a person to look over property with the temperature below zero. However, we had several good sales, including 70 feet in Hampstead Gardens at \$15 a foot, 50 feet in Globe Manor at \$65 a foot, 200 feet in Oakwood Orchards from \$60 to \$65 a foot, 150 feet in Strathgowan at \$45 and \$50 a foot, 50 feet in Regent's Park at \$22 a foot and 50 feet in Lawrence Park at \$52 a foot."

**BUILDERS FOLLOWED CITY ANNEXATION**  
Following the annexation by the city of the Danforth avenue Glebe property, builders have been quite active in their purchase of land. The owners of the Danforth Glebe estates have closed several sales. Within the last few days, and several of the prominent house-builders, including Slippert Bros., have made big purchases in the new inside subdivisions.

## HEAVY SNOW STORM CAUSES DELAYS IN MANY BIG CITIES

Moderation of Cold Weather in New York is Followed by the First Big Snowfall of the Winter—Eighteen Inches Fell in Parts of Pennsylvania, and Fourteen Inches in Albany

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The north-eastern part of the country today was in the grip of the first big storm of the year, which reached blizzard proportions in some places. Railroad traffic was delayed and street railway services in a number of cities were much hampered. On the Southern New England coast a mile-a-minute gale was blowing, greatly endangering shipping. Several vessels were reported in distress along the coast from Cape Henry, Virginia, northward. The intense cold in New England and the Middle Atlantic States was moderated somewhat with the coming of the snow, but to the southward, where snow had caused falling, lower temperatures were predicted. The storm developed Friday afternoon off the Georgia coast and has moved rapidly northward. It was central early today with much intensity off the South Atlantic coast, the wind at Block Island reaching a velocity of 65 miles an hour. Snow has fallen in the Ohio Valley, the lower lake region, the Middle and South Atlantic States and in Southern New England. It will continue tonight in New England and the lower lake region, but elsewhere weather bureau experts say the weather will be a tendency to slightly lower temperatures in the Middle Atlantic States and the south. With little to expect that the storm will be severe was ordered all along the Atlantic coast from Eastport, Maine, to Cape Hatteras, N.C.

## TWO HUNDRED MILE ICE FIELD SIGHTED

British Steamer Lord Antrim Reports Encountered Ice Floe off Newfoundland

HALIFAX, Feb. 14.—A vast island of field ice over two hundred miles in length was sighted off the coast of Newfoundland by the British steamer Lord Antrim, which put to sea on Saturday morning in order to complete her voyage from Lorient, France, to Philadelphia. The steamer was delayed by continuous west-ly gales and received a further setback when, approaching the Newfoundland coast, she encountered the field ice. Her course had to be changed to the south and east, and she coasted along the field for almost two days.

**WILLIAMS PIANO CLUB RAPIDLY FILLING UP.**  
Less Than 10 Pianos Left—Will Close Soon.

If the progress and success of the Williams 25th Annual Piano Club is any indication of the local conditions, certainly there is nothing to be very pessimistic about, as the Williams firm reports very satisfactory and steady progress. The club of 200 piano and 50 player-piano membership in Toronto, and in fact is reputed to be the biggest piano event in Canada each year, and many families look forward to it for months as a means of securing a piano or player-piano for very little outlay and without assuming heavy obligations. The more one examines the particulars of this club the more remarkable it becomes. And the people most enthusiastic over it are not the Williams firm but the members who have joined in previous years and who are the means of persuading others to join each year.

When any such event grows in popularity and magnitude each year it is an aptly safe indication that it is of other than average worth. The club plan, briefly, is that the R. S. Williams and Sons Co., Ltd., of 145 Yonge street, have purchased outright 200 pianos and 50 player-pianos and have formed a club of 250 members to dispose of them. This tremendous and quick turnover enables them to offer, in addition to a special concession in price, rather remarkable privileges and advantages not generally accorded piano purchasers. For instance, a \$250 piano is sold to club members for \$267.50, and the terms are only \$5 cash and \$1.25 weekly; the club member gets a thirty-day free trial, a year exchange privilege, protective insurance, that cancels all unpaid balance in case a purchaser dies; a five year guarantee and pays no interest.

**BIG FEATURES AT LOCAL MOVIES**  
Several Attractions Are Booked for This Week at the Leading Theatres.

A particularly fine new feature will be shown in Toronto this week. At the Madison Theatre, Bloor and Bathurst, the leading attraction for the first three days of the week will be a strong two-reel drama, entitled "The Silent Depth." This will be shown at this house for the first time in Toronto, and it is expected that it will cause quite a sensation.

The leading feature for the latter part of the week will be "The Convent's Story," a powerful prison story, in two parts, the details of which were given in a recent issue of The Sunday World.

At the Colonial Theatre, West Queen street, one of the most sensational stories procurable will head the bill on Monday and Tuesday, "The Case of Cherry Barcolle," which has been given in the first time in the city on this occasion.

Included in the eight special features which will be shown at the Bolivar Theatre, Parliament street, will be "In the Watches of the Night," a gripping dramatic story featuring the charming actress, Marion Leonard. This will be the chief feature of the program on Monday and Tuesday, while on Friday and Saturday the exciting attraction will be "A Daughter of Pan," a clever and interesting story featuring Helen Gardner.

The Windsor Theatre is another house to be showing big features. Their attraction for Monday will be "Star of India," a four-reel story of vengeance. On the same night this theatre will show the first chapter of "Our Mutual Girl," that popular aerial story. This house is one of the very few which have a complete change of program daily.

**FUNERAL OF C. R. JENKINS.**  
Saturday afternoon, at 2.30, the funeral of Cecil R. Jenkins, who died suddenly just after returning from a funeral of a friend a few days ago, and whose mother and aunt died within twenty-four hours of each other on Sackville street, took place to the family plot in St. James' Cemetery.

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